

# WESTCHESTER

Fall 2006



A Quarterly Newsletter

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## From your Village President

### School Zone Safety



Village President  
Paul Gattuso

First and foremost, I want to remind everyone that our children are now back in school. Please be careful around all school zones, stop at all stop signs and remember do not pass a stopped school bus! These are our children and they are our first priority.

The renovations to the front of the Village Hall are now complete! As you will all agree, this is a great improvement. I want to personally thank Ernst Landscaping, Sun View Landscaping and our own Public Works Department for all their hard work and dedication to this project.

### Change your clocks and batteries!

**NO BATTERY,  
NO CHANCE!**



Don't forget to turn your clocks back one hour at 2 a.m. on Sunday, October 29 or before you retire on Saturday evening. Also, you are encouraged to change the battery in each smoke detector in your home at the same time.

*From the Proviso Township Assessor's Office:*

The staff at the Assessor's Office is at your service. If you have questions about your tax bill, if you feel you are over assessed or if you need help with paperwork for the Cook County Board of Appeals or Board of Review, contact Proviso Township Assessor Michael Corrigan or Deputy Assessor Roxanne Lesus at 708-343-1313. Even if you missed the appeal deadline, you may still file with the Cook County Board of Review.

*Cub Scouts Pack 73:* Registration for boys in 1st through 5th grade is underway. A very active pack offers year round family-oriented programs including camp-outs, Pinewood Derby, service projects and lots of

fun. Meetings are held Tuesday nights at 7 pm at the Westchester Community Church. For more information about registration, contact Scoutmaster Jerry at 708-344-2150.

Thanks to all who made the Fourth of July Parade such a great success. Every entrant, group, organization and especially the exhibitions of all the talented musicians make the parade an event that folks look forward to year after year.

Rebecca Watson a 7th grade student at Divine Providence, won the Westchester American Idol Contest held at the Westchester Fun Fest this summer. She was awarded a \$200 Savings Bond from Harris Bank, Westchester, for her performance of Gloria Gaynor's "I Will Survive." Great job and congratulations, Rebecca!

The Westchester Chamber of Commerce is planning its annual visit to the State Capitol in May of 2007. The trip will include meet and greets with elected officials, special tours and a great tour of the Abraham Lincoln Museum. As always, the Chamber is anticipating another full bus, so plan ahead. For information call Bill Ernst 708-343-4300.

**Free Mammogram Screenings:** Westlake Hospital in Melrose Park is offering free mammogram screenings throughout October for eligible women residing in Proviso Township. The only criteria is that women are age 40 and older or over 35 with a strong history of breast cancer. To make an appointment for a mammogram, call 877-737-4636.

**FLU SHOTS: Tuesday, October 24th at the Village Hall. Call 345-0020 to schedule your mandatory appointment time. Visit [www.westchester-il.org](http://www.westchester-il.org) for complete info.**

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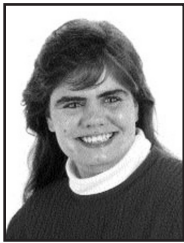
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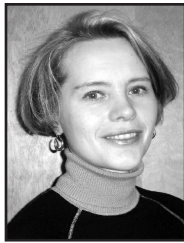
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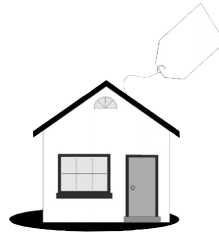


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# calendar

## OCTOBER 2006

**FRIDAYS IN OCTOBER.** 4 pm at the Westchester Library: Children can develop their read-aloud skills by reading a favorite story to a therapy dog. Also at 4 pm at the Westchester Library: Knitting Workshop for knitters of all ages.

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7.** Divine Providence Craft Fair, 9 am to 3 pm. Crafts, Bake Sale, Grand Raffle, Cafe. 2500 Mayfair Avenue.

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8.** Book signing with Janis Kearney, author of *Conversations: William Jefferson Clinton: from Hope to Harlem*. Westchester Library, 2 pm.

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14.** Westchester Community Blood Drive, 8:30 am to 3 pm at Westchester Community Center, 10201 Bond.

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15.** Divine Providence Octoberfest; 11:30 am Polka Mass followed by food, fun & festivities.

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15.** St. Joseph High School Open House, 1 to 3 pm. Call 708-562-4433 for info.

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20.** Divine Providence Walk-A-Thon in the afternoon.

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29.** Deadline for entries for the Write-A-Book Contest. Details available at Westchester Library and local schools.

## NOVEMBER 2006

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4.** St. Joseph High School Alumni Reunion dinner at Wyndam Drake Oak Brook; contact 708-562-7488.

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12.** Veteran at Mayfair Park. DP and DI bands to perform at 8:15 am ceremony.

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12.** Book signing at Westchester Public Library. John Wasik, author of *The Merchant of Power: Samuel Insull, Thomas Edison and the Creation of the Modern Metropolis*. Insull was a founding father of Westchester. *Note: Other local authors are invited to give book signings.*

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19.** 1:30 pm at Westchester Library: Awards Ceremony for Write-A-Book Contest.

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19.** St. Joseph High School Open House, 1 to 3 pm. Call 708-562-4433.

## DECEMBER 2006

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14.** St. Joseph High School Open House, 6 to 8 pm. Call 708-562-4433.

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19.** Divine Providence Christmas Program, McInerney Center, 7 pm.

Watch for info on upcoming holiday celebrations sponsored by the Village, Park District and the Chamber of Commerce!

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# news briefs

## LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (L.I.H.E.A.P.) offers financial assistance for qualified low-income individuals to pay monthly gas and electric bills to avoid disconnection of service.

The energy year starts September 1st and continues until all funds are spent. Please call 708-450-3500 for more information.

## ARE YOU A VoIP CUSTOMER?

Attention residents who are VoIP customers: please check with your provider to determine how your telephone service connects you with 9-1-1 in case of an emergency. If you have any questions regarding your 9-1-1 service, please call Telecommunications Supervisor Greg Hribal at the police department 345-0060. (This notice does pertain to residents having AT&T or Comcast service.)

## NOVEMBER 7TH ELECTION INFO

Unable to make it to your polling place on Election Day? The most common method of voting absentee is by mail, but you may also cast ballots in person at the Maybrook Courthouse, 1311 Maybrook Square, Room 109 in Maywood, from Friday, November 3rd through Monday, November 6th. To vote absentee, you must, by law, have a reason why you cannot make it to your polling place on Election Day, such as being out of town during the election or being physically disabled.

In 2006, Illinois voters may take part in early voting, which allows voters to vote before the election without having a reason or excuse. Those early voters must vote in person (not by mail) at a designated early voting site. Early voting will take place Monday, October 16, through Thursday, November 2.

To find your early voting site log on to [www.voterinfonet.com](http://www.voterinfonet.com).



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## Village Leaf Bags Discontinued



**Due to budget constraints, the Village is discontinuing the leaf bag program. Please be aware that Village ordinance prohibits raking leaves into the street or gutter and residents are subject to \$25-\$100 fines. The street sweeper and vac machine will only be used to insure proper operation of the**

**Village storm sewer system. Public Works will not clean streets where residents have deposited leaves on the curb line.**

**Please dispose of leaves in cans or bags that can be purchased at your local hardware store, as well as, the Westchester Jewel and Dominick's stores. With your cooperation, the Village can preserve the charm of its neighborhoods as well as the maintenance of our sewer systems.**

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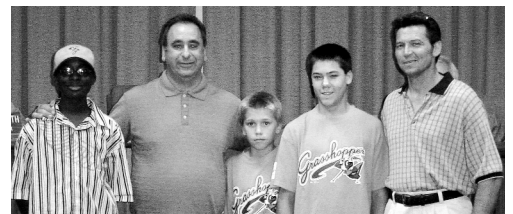
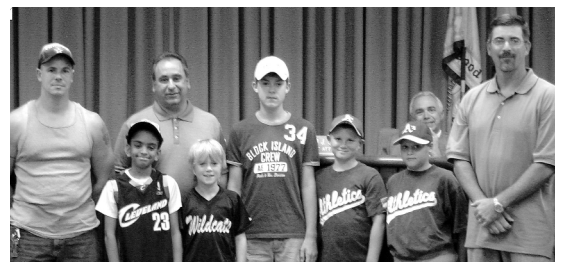
## mobile driver facility coming to westchester

Secretary of State Jesse White's Mobile Driver Services Facility will visit Westchester on Thursday, October 20 from 9:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. at the Westchester Village Hall, in the Community Room, 10300 Roosevelt Road. The event is hosted by Village Trustee Angelo Luciano. Road tests are NOT available. Among the services available: Vision screenings, written exams (CDL not available), duplicate license, corrected license, driver license renewal, identification cards, license plate renewal stickers. Those wanting to secure an ID card for the first time will need to present three pieces of identification: your Social Security Card, a birth certificate and piece of mail showing current address.

For more information, call 345-0020 or visit [www.cyberdriveillinois.com](http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com).

## Village President salutes winning teams!

The 2006 winners of the West Suburban Pony, Minor and Major League Championships were recently recognized by Village President Paul Gattuso.



Top photo, Minors; middle, Pony; bottom, Majors.



## blood drives ahead: will you give?

The Westchester Blood Program's next drive is Saturday, October 14, at the Community Center and a make-up drive Monday evening, November 13, from 4 to 9 p.m. in a LifeSource mobile coach parked in the Community Center lot at Bond and Westchester Blvd. Questions? Contact Carl Panek, 865-1782.



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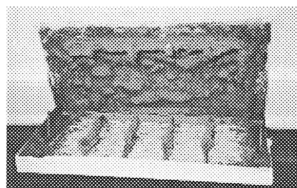
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## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**From Chief Robert Smith**

School is back in session. Please continue to be aware of small children out and about in the morning and afternoon, especially near schools. Let's remind our kids to: Wear light colored clothes on cloudy days or near dusk. Watch out for cars, look both ways when crossing streets, and walk bikes through intersections.

Let's all of us remember to: Drive slowly through school zones. Don't pass school buses when flashing red lights are activated. Obey stop signs and heed direction from crossing guards. Remember the new 25 mile per hour speed limit. Set a good example for future drivers.

*Tuesday, October 31st is Halloween.* Once again, the Police Department asks your help in making this a safe and fun-filled day. Accompany young children. Try makeup instead of masks; makeup doesn't restrict vision.



Wear light colored clothes or costumes. Tell your children not to enter homes to accept candy.

**Recommended hours for trick or treating are between 3 p.m. and 7 p.m.**

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Since its inception in 1990, proceeds from the event have helped construct a Veteran's Memorial in Mayfair Park. In 2004, a new addition to the Memorial was unveiled. An eight-foot granite monument was placed among the flag poles, plaques, landscaping and pavement bricks inscribed with the names of veterans that collectively give the Memorial an exceptional look. Through the combined efforts of the Chamber of Commerce, the Park District and the Village, Westchester has given Veteran's Day the proper respect it deserves.

The morning starts with an emotional rededication of the Veterans Memorial. Members of the Westchester VFW Post raise the flag. Runners from all over Chicagoland, regardless of ability or age, take to the streets of the town to complete a 10K

or 5K distance. There is also a 2-mile Healthwalk and a Tot and Youth Run.

Post-race activities include a well-stocked food tent, awards ceremony and grand raffle.

Mark your calendar for Sunday, November 12th and see the next page for more details and a race road map.

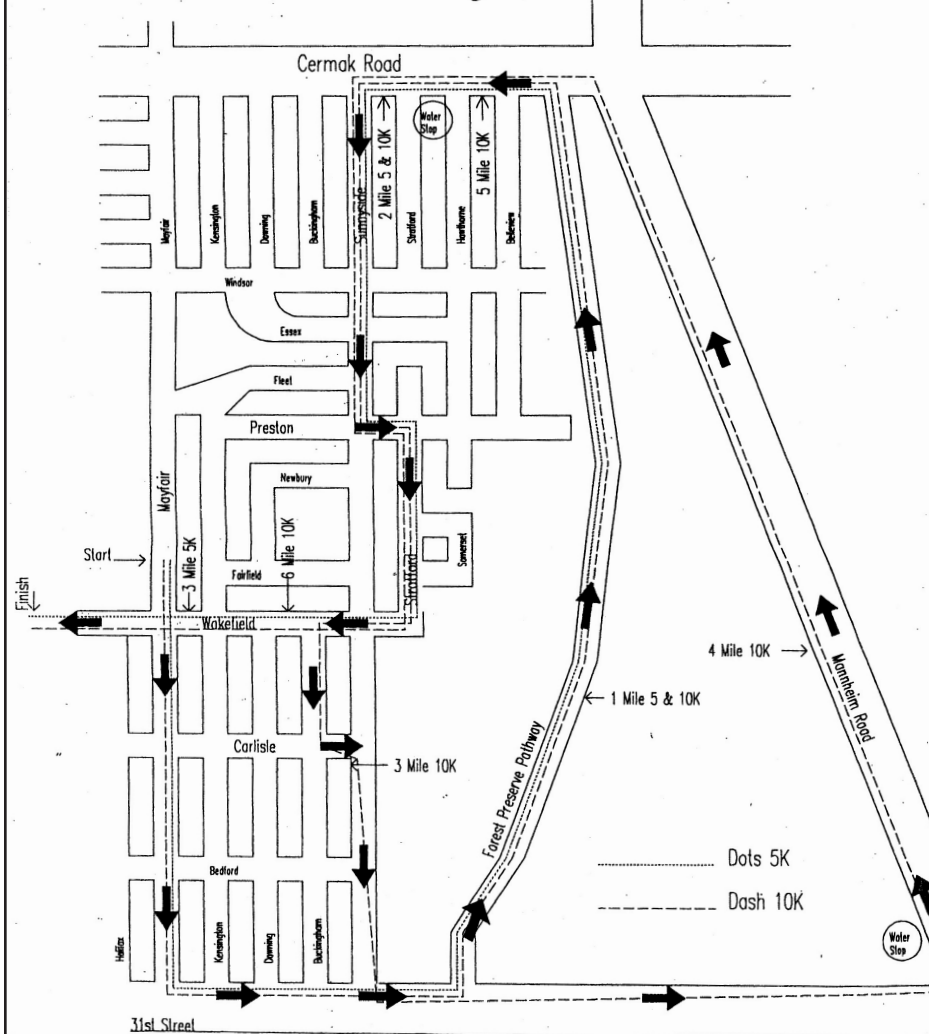




# General Information & THE MAP



## Veterans Day Road Race



# route

*Dear Westchester Residents:  
The 17th Annual Veterun will be held on Sunday, November 12th at 9 am. Please note the map on the next page showing routes and streets utilized during the Run.*

*Parking restrictions and street closures will be in effect for as short a time as possible, between the hours of 7 am and 11 am.*

*Be advised that your street may be inaccessible at some time Sunday morning and please plan accordingly. Proudly display your American flag along the route, and come out and cheer on the runners! We appreciate your consideration and cooperation during another great Westchester event.*

*Sincerely,  
Village of Westchester  
Westchester Chamber of Commerce  
Westchester Park District*

**For more information, check the Chamber of Commerce website at [www.westchesterchamber.org](http://www.westchesterchamber.org) or contact Gary Kasanders at 708-865-8200 (E-mail: [Gkasanders@hotmail.com](mailto:Gkasanders@hotmail.com))**

# from the **Public Works Department**

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

**John Doolittle, Superintendent**

As the Village welcomes fall, all residents are reminded that regular branch pickup will end Wednesday, November 22, 2006. Please note that Thursday's pickup will be made on Wednesday for the final pickup of the year. Also note: Any residents on alleys that have brush behind their houses or have been storing it in their yards, please bring it out to the street so Public Works can pick it up before branch pickup ends. Branch pickup will be done on the 1st and 3rd week of every month from April through November.

Parkway repairs due to Village Water Department excavations will be done weather permitting this season and continued in the spring 2007.

Interested in a new parkway tree? Call Public Works at 708/345-0041 or email [www.pwrequest@westchester-il.org](mailto:www.pwrequest@westchester-il.org), register for our shared cost parkway tree program. Planting begins April 2007. The Public Works department will trim parkway trees if they have dangerous or low lying branches

## **WATER DEPARTMENT**

**From John Fecarotta, Superintendent**



As the cooler weather approaches, remember to turn off your outside water spickets in the basement to prevent pipes from cracking or freezing during the winter months.

Adopt a fire hydrant—keep a hydrant clean. As the snow season is approaching, please remember to keep the fire hydrants clean and free of snow.

All plumbers working in the Village of Westchester need a contractor's license from the building department plus a certificate of insurance. A permit is required to assure codes are met and an inspection from our Water Department is necessary.

For new plumbing construction—residential or commercial—or for residents doing any plumbing remodeling themselves or by a plumbing contractor, call John Fecarotta, Plumbing Inspector, at 708-345-0041 to verify codes and materials to be used. Furthermore, residents are advised to contact the Water Department at 708-345-0041 before signing a contract with a plumber to rod out the sanitary line. The Water department will check to make sure the problem is not in Village sanitary lines.

As always, if residents see an unusual amount of water in the streets or parkways, which could be a possible main break. Call 708-345-0041 or 708-345-0060 (after hours police non-emergency number) to report it so the Water Department can check it out immediately.



## **STREET DEPARTMENT**

**Dale Bogda, Superintendent**

Once again, it seems as though summer has flown by. The Street Department is always happy to be involved in the summer events in Westchester. The parade is always super, and our Fest is the best in the area and gets better every year. Now that fall and winter are upon us, crews switch gears from patching and crack filling to street cleaning and snow and ice removal.

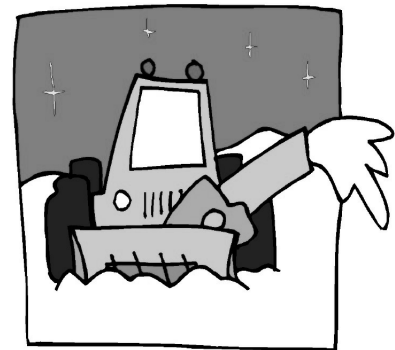
Be aware that the Village leaf bag program has been discontinued and we will not be picking up leaves raked into the streets.

*“A lot of people like snow. I find it to be an unnecessary freezing of water.”*

— actor Carl Reiner

The Village officials and the Street Department recognize that the safety and well being of residents cannot be measured in dollars. While time and funds are allotted to make certain that streets remain clear and dry this winter, the Village and the Street Department still need your help. Please remove cars from all streets after 3” of snow. Every car that the Street Department has to plow around leaves three spaces of unplowed area and greatly slows the plowing time.

Please keep garbage cans behind the curbline as well. Help the Street Department do its job more efficiently and everyone will have a safer and easier winter.



# BESAFE fire department news

For homeowners who enjoyed plenty of cozy fires in their fireplace last winter, now is the time to clean out soot and ashes from your chimney. Built-up soot, sediment and birds nests decrease the air flow through your chimney, increasing the chances of a dangerous chimney fire. A bonded chimney sweep would eliminate this danger and guarantee plenty of warm nights ahead! Call the building department at 345-0199; make sure your contractor is licensed to work in the Village.

Another target for fire safety is your furnace. Chances are you needed someplace to store the boxes of old clothes from last spring's cleaning and they ended up too close to your furnace. It is vital that at least two arms length of space be provided between the furnace and any combustibles. In addition, if you have not had your furnace inspected in a while, it would give you great peace of mind to have it done before cold weather comes in.

As the indoor cooking increases, so too

do carbon monoxide incidents. Make certain that both your stove and oven are in good working order, with blue flames at each burner. Also, make sure that all smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors are in good condition with a fresh working battery. Carbon monoxide detectors should be mounted at least 20 feet away from a heat source to eliminate false readings.

Often used in colder weather, small portable space heaters can produce high temperatures and can radiate heat to nearby objects. Always make certain that these heaters are kept at least 6-8 feet away from all combustibles. Additionally, space heaters should be unplugged every time you leave the room or retire for the evening.

Finally, a reminder that there is NO open burning within the Village limits. This includes leaves and firepits in back yards. Leaves are to be collected in leaf bags and left at the curb, NEVER burned.



**As colder weather rolls in and the BBQs are put away, it's a good time to identify and eliminate possible fire hazards around the home to assure a fire-safe home this winter. On behalf of the Westchester firemen, have a safe and happy fall and winter season.**

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## From the Front Office

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION!

#### Vehicle Stickers Go On Sale December 1st

Newly-acquired vehicles must be licensed within thirty (30) days of purchase. If vehicle stickers are not properly displayed by February 15, 2007, the owner is subject to a fine, in addition to fees being doubled.

<u>VEHICLE</u>	<u>FEE (2/15)</u>	<u>FEE (2/16)</u>
Auto	\$35.00	\$70.00
Motorcycle	\$32.00	\$64.00
Truck (B Plate)	\$60.00	\$120.00
Truck (C Plate)	\$70.00	\$140.00
IL Disabled Plate	\$10.00	\$20.00

Seniors: \$20 to residents age 65 by 2/15/07.  
One per person.

Dog tags are \$3 until February 28, 2007 and \$4 beginning March 1. Cat tags are \$4. Newly-acquired dogs and cats must be licensed within 30 days after receiving their first rabies vaccine. Rabies certification must be presented upon registration.

The Village Hall will be open for your convenience on Saturdays, February 3 and 10, 9 am to noon. Village Hall office hours are Monday through Friday are 8:30 am to 5 pm.

#### After-hours Payments.

Use the drop box in the lobby of the Village Hall, located in the main lobby just to the left of the doorway into the Village offices after hours.

#### Billing and Late Fees.

Water and garbage fees are billed quarterly by section. If you do not receive the bill because of a post office error, you are still subject to late fees.

Bills not paid by 5 pm on the due date will be charged a late fee.



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#### What's new?

Upgrades to the Village Hall phone system should be complete by October. A direct line for the Building Department will be installed and eliminate the need to be transferred by the receptionist. You can reach the Building Department direct at (708) 345-0199. Voice mail will also be available.

#### Hiring a Contractor?

Some contractors have instructed homeowners to obtain "By Owner" permits. They were told permit fees were higher for contractors and they would save some money this way. Others were told that a permit was not required or that they will perform the work on weekends. Permit fees are set by Village Code and are the same for everyone. Contractors that hide behind residents or from the village usually do not have required licenses and/or insurance. Please use only responsible contractors.

Any contractor you hire to work around your home or office is required to be registered with the Village. This will assure you that the contractor has all required licenses, is fully insured and bonded for your protection. A simple call to the Building Department can provide you with information regarding a contractor's registration or a list of currently registered contractors. A reputable contractor will never ask you to pay for his registration or for his guaranteed deposit. The Village requires these things from contractors for your protection. Please do not pay these expenses for them!!! Final payment should never be paid to your contractor until you have received an "Approved Final Inspection." If there are any problems or open issues, these will be much more difficult to deal with if final payment has been made.

Permits are also required for many projects. If any structural changes are made, any walls are opened or if plumbing or electrical systems are altered, a permit is probably required. It only takes a few minutes to call and verify if a permit is required for your particular project.

#### Selling your home?

If you are considering selling your home, please contact the Building Department to arrange a home inspection. Call at least 48 hours in advance to schedule the inspection. If any corrections are required, a list of violations will be mailed to you the following business day. Upon correction of any violations, call at least 48 hours in advance to schedule a re-inspection. Once your home is in compliance, a compliance letter will be available to you at the front office of Village Hall after the final water bill has been paid. Allow at least 2 weeks prior to your closing date for this entire process.

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## St. Joseph High School fourth quarter "A" honor roll students

**From Westchester: A Honors**—Zach Baker, Dustin Baldassari, Spencer Battersby, Dominic Belluomini, Jeremy Bertosa, Jesse Black, Ryan Blase, Jonathan Brotonel, Abrianna Brown, William Cain, Tina Calcagno, Laura Chlapecka, Martin Chlapecka, Margeaux Cilc, Patrina Cosino, Kevin Creed, Kevin Dawid, Kurt Dawid, Collin Dent, Patrick Devereux, Elizabeth DiZenzo, Joseph DiZenzo, William Dulik, Michael Farmar, Rachelle Fisher, Anthony Francia, Vincent Fratantion, Susan Gabel, Christina Gattuso, Raymond Geletka, Christina Gonzalez, Hazel Gonzalez, Alex Gowgiel, Anthony Gowgiel, Bobby Herman, Teresa Herman, Grace Hermanowski, Chris LaPaglia, John LaPaglia, Anne Liotine, Anthony Longano, Krystyn Lovely, Maribel Magallanes, Peggy Mueller, Joseph Murray, Mark Nepomuceno, Michael O'Neill, John Olson, Julio Ortiz, Allison Parenti, Michael Pehanich, Laura Peters, Kristen Petkevich, Chad Polak, Gianna Pollastrini, Joshua Reichert, Phillip Rieck, Brittany Scannicchio, Lisanne Scannicchio, Kevin Schmitz, Kelly Schreiber, Matthew Sinacore, Malcolm Smith II, Conor Sullivan, Brandon Summey-Kroll, William Thoms, Nicholas Todro, Matthew Van Gronigen, Karlie Vitiello, Peter Waller, Megan Wasz, Jaime Williamson and Sajid Yousuf.

## Divine Providence 4th Quarter Honor Roll

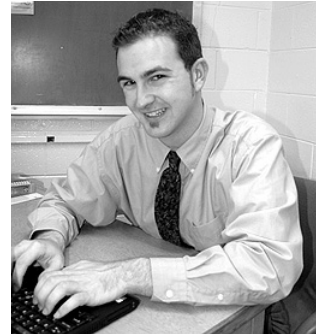
First Honors: Kimberly Bajzek, Kathryn Boehmke, Tiana Brescia, Bridget Brogan, Michael Brogan, Ryan Callahan, Ryan Fleming, Briana Gonzalez, Erin Goode, Ashley Grengs, Kelley Kanak, Abigail Lodico, Anthony Lodico, Laura Lopez, Jasmine Macabulos, Rob Moore, Andrew Rizzi, Stephanie Suchy and Saule Tamkus.

## Student awards, scholarship winners

Patrick Murray, St. Joseph, \$1000 Renewable Academic Scholarship and \$250 Leadership Award; Parker Swenson, St. Joseph, \$500 Renewable Academic Scholarship, \$250 Leadership Award and \$500 Presidential Award; Kim Bajzek, Montini, \$1000 Academic Award.

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Neal Gorka (left with student), who graduated from St. Joseph High School in 2001, has returned to teach at his alma mater after attending Purdue University where he obtained his B.A. degree in English and Education. He is currently teaching English and Reading as well as coaching soccer at the high school. Neal was a prominent baseball player at Purdue and a three-year starter. He will coach St.

Joseph's baseball team in the spring.

Keith Donovan (above at the computer), who graduated from St. Joseph in 2002, obtained his B.A. degree from St. Mary's University in Minnesota where he studied English and Theater and also became involved in Religious Studies. Donovan spent a year of study, under the auspices of the University, in London, England. He teaches Moral Issues and Peace and Justice classes to Junior classes at St. Joseph.

## D.P. Awards and Scholarships

Divine Providence School announces the following awards and scholarships for the 2005-2006 school year: Kimberly Bajzek, School Board Distinguished Student Award; Erin Goode, Athletic Scholarship, Rob Moore, Father Unz Scholarship, Patrick Murray, Family School Scholarship, Stephanie Suchy, Family School Scholarship and Christopher Wisniewski, Athletic Scholarship.



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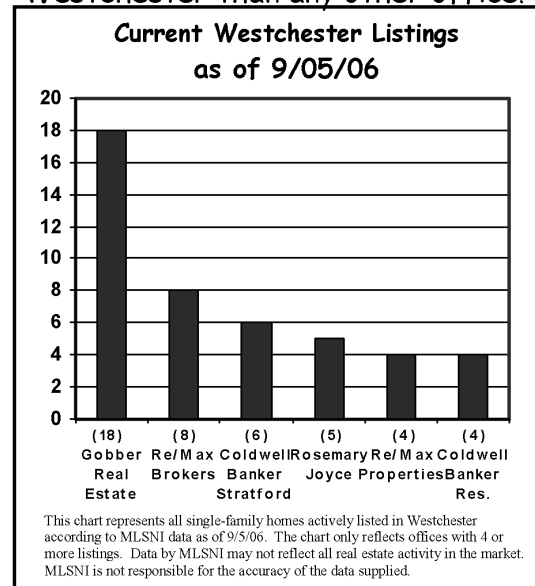
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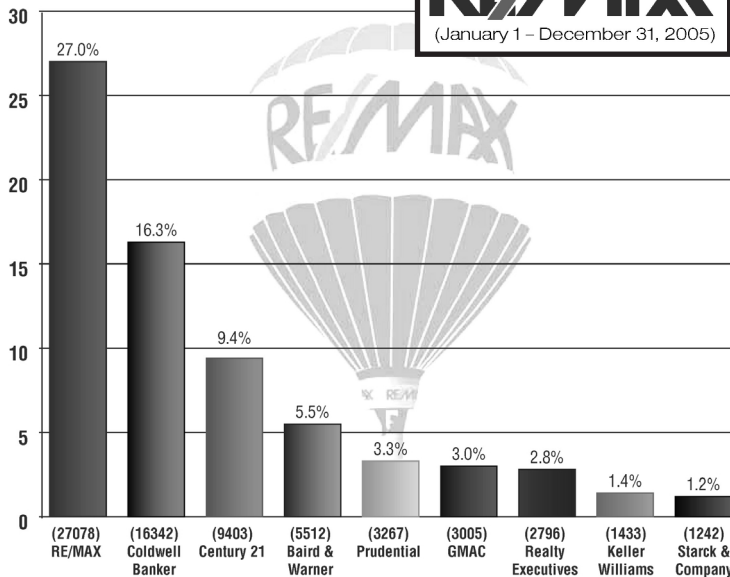


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